CITY OF ELGIN
BUDGET COMMITTEE MINUTES FOR MAY 14, 1998

COUNCILORS PRESENT- KEVIN COOPER - CHAIRMAN
JOHN STOVER
BERTA CHURCHILL
JOHN McELRAVY
LEROY SHORT
PAT McMULLEN
RICK SMITH - MAYOR

BUDGET MEMBERS- CHRIS REIS
GLENN CLARK
CASSIUS LISK
SUSAN McMURDO
JERRY PETERS

Chairman Cooper called the meeting to order at 7pm. The first order of business was to recess this meeting to let the council members appoint members to the budget committee.

Mayor Smith called the council to order and appointed Jerry Peters to the budget committee.

Chairman Cooper reconvened the budget meeting.

Librarian, Sandy Good was present to ask for an increase of 5 hours for her assistant per week. The assistants hours are currently at 10 hours per week. The Library is in need of another computer for staff use as the other 3 computers that were bought by grants for patron use.

Police Chief, Dayton Sibley was present to ask for a new police car as the need for one is great. Chief Sibley is asking for an additional $14,000 dollars to go with the $6,250 dollars in the reserve fund.

Sheri McDonald and the Board from the Elgin Community Center were present. The community center roof is leaking with the main leakage over the library. The total amount for the job is $16,000. They are asking the city to cover half the cost.

President of the Elgin Stampeders, Derek Shaffer was present to ask for $20,000 dollars to replace the front grand stands at the stampede grounds. This amount would help underwrite the project. The plans so far are to put in 3000 seats with each seat ranging from $75 to $150 dollars.

Fire Chief, Pat McDonald was present asking for an additional $2,000 dollars for an air pack for the fire truck.

Joe Garlitz, City Recorder/Administrator noted some corrections to the budget on page 10 and 13.

Salary for the personnel was discussed. Mayor Smith motioned a 2% increase across the board except for the 2 (Norm, public works & Sandy, library) with a merit increase and the library assistant which is at minimum wage($6.50) with Glenn Clark as second. The vote was unanimous for approval, motion carried.

The committee started an overview of the budget to move the figures to the next column. Mayor Smith made a motion to accept page 1 as written with Cassius Lisk as second. The vote was unanimous for approval, motion carried.

Mayor Smith made a motion to accept Administration as written with the change of 2% increase in salary with Councilor Churchill as second. The vote was unanimous for approval, motion carried.

Councilor Stover made a motion to accept Police as written with the change of 2% increase in salary with Councilor Churchill as second. The vote was unanimous for approval, motion carried.

Councilor Stover made a motion to accept Fire as written with the change of 2% increase in salary with Councilor McMullen as second. The vote was unanimous for approval, motion carried.

Councilor Churchill made a motion to accept Ambulance as written, no changes, with Cassius Lisk as second. The vote was unanimous for approval, motion carried.

Mayor Smith made a motion to accept Library as written, no changes, with Jerry Peters as second. The vote was unanimous for approval, motion carried.

Mayor Smith made a motion to accept Municipal Court as written with the change of 2% increase in salary and a $100.00 increase to training and travel with Jerry Peters as second. The vote was unanimous for approval, motion carried.

Councilor Stover made a motion to accept page 8 as written with an increase to $17,000 on the transfer service line and a 2% increase of the caretakers income with Mayor Smith as second. The vote was unanimous for approval, motion carried.

Mayor Smith made a motion to accept page 9 as written with a 2% increase to the first two lines and not the third line with Glenn Clark as second. The vote was unanimous for approval, motion carried.

Meeting recessed until May 21, 1998, 7:00 pm at City Hall with Councilor Stover chairing in absence of Chairman Cooper.

Minutes respectfully submitted,

John McElravy

John McElravy, Secretary